GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA

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CASH REWARDS TO MEDAL WINNING ATHLETES
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has increased the amount of cash rewards to the medal winning athletes during international sports meet; and

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the amount to be given to each medal winning athlete?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS (SHRI VIJAY GOEL)

(a) & (b) Considering the splendid performance of the Sportspersons from the country in the Commonwealth and Asian Games 2002, a commitment was made to give them enhanced Cash Awards as under:-

(Rupees in lakhs)

Name of Events	Gold Medal		Silver Medal		Bronze Medal	
	Winner		Winner		Winner	
Asian/Commonwealth Games	Existing	Proposed	Existing	Proposed	Existing	Proposed
	5	20	3	15	2	10

The above is proposed to be a one-time enhancement. However, considering the time lag between the last revision of such Awards and now, with a view to providing greater incentives to our sportspersons to perform better, a proposal is under consideration of the Government for enhancing the rates of Cash Awards to be given to the winners of International Sports events.